



## Season of Gratitude!

We are so thankful for the Okanagan Rail Trail as a place of legacy, connections, discovery and enjoyment.

Late summer and early fall were spectacular here in the Okanagan Valley. Kalamalka Lake was a showcase of colour, as the marl magic lasted for an exceptionally long time. As the temperatures warm, this marl lake forms crystals that reflect sunlight and create beautiful aqua colours.

Did you know this phenomenon happens when dissolved calcium carbonate in the lake water crystalizes and forms marl? The interpretive site at Km 3.7 on the trail gives a good explanation of this recurring event and also shows the fault line which runs down the length of Kalamalka Lake.

[Learn More About Interpretive Sites Along the Trail](#)

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# What's New on the Trail



## New Facilities

Lake Country now has new public washrooms open along the isthmus in Oyama. There are also adjacent picnic tables and parking. This is a most welcome addition.



## Trewhitt Point Access on Wood Lake

This new access proved to be a very popular stop for trail users this summer with its bike racks, sloping beach, rock slab seating and porta potties. A new marker stone has been added and a Km marker will be attached to define this stop on the trail. Thanks to Central Okanagan Community Foundation, District of Lake Country, and our generous FORT donors for the cooperative effort to create this access point.



## Kelowna Wayfinding Signage

Several new wayfinding pillars have been installed along the Okanagan Rail Trail in Kelowna to help trail users find their way at key decision points and intersections on the trail.

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## Thanks to our Friends of Okanagan Rail Trail

We now have over 80 volunteers who have chosen to be Friends of the Okanagan Rail Trail and to give back to their communities by helping make the trail the best that it can be. **Thank you to all of the volunteers for the many hours that they invest in making the trail a safe and happy place.**

We had two FORT Days on the trail where volunteers spoke with trail users and shared ideas. There were several Trail Ambassador rides on the trail to check out new routes and improvements.

FORT also participated in two Volunteer Fairs this to let the public know about what we do. If you are interested in finding out more about getting involved and supporting the trail, click on the link below.

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# Thanks to Our Donors

The Okanagan Rail Trail would not have been created without public donations and all of you who continue your support the trail with donations are greatly appreciated. FORT continues working toward more Wayfinding Signage along the Okanagan Rail Trail which will become even more important when the final section is complete. If you are interested in making a donation please click below.

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